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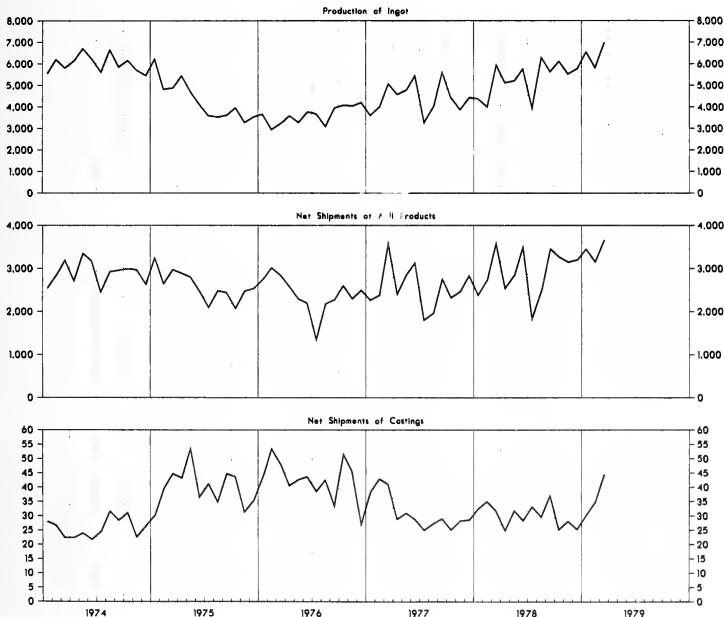
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The statistics in this publication are based on a survey of manufactures and represent total U.S. shipments of titanium ingot, mill products, and castings. Estimates are included for

companies whose reports were not received in time for tabulation. A more complete description of this survey appears on page 4.

THIS REPORT INCLUDES DATA COMPARING DOMESTIC OUTPUT, EXPORTS, AND IMPORTS

TITANIUM INGOT AND MILL PRODUCTS, 1974 TO 1979
(In Thousands of Pounds)



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Table 1. TITANIUM INGOT, MILL PRODUCTS, AND CASTINGS: 1977 TO 1979

Month and year	(Thousands of pounds)			Mill products net shipments ¹	Castings shipments
	Ingot				
	Production	Consumption	Ending stocks		
1979					
March.....	6,983	6,357	4,368	3,664	44.5
February.....	5,858	5,447	3,947	3,170	34.9
January.....	6,582	6,767	4,039	3,464	30.3
1978					
December.....	5,784	5,532	4,310	3,207	25.5
November.....	5,546	5,717	3,886	3,160	28.3
October.....	6,141	6,740	4,654	3,279	25.5
September.....	5,660	5,305	5,122	3,474	37.4
August.....	6,336	4,956	5,452	2,603	29.9
July.....	4,004	3,903	3,685	1,866	33.4
June.....	5,792	5,360	4,186	3,534	28.6
May.....	5,224	4,985	4,111	2,847	32.0
April.....	5,138	5,272	4,266	2,560	25.2
March.....	5,985	5,443	4,079	3,623	31.9
February.....	4,024	4,385	3,480	2,743	35.2
January.....	4,388	4,530	3,973	2,401	26.5
1977					
December.....	4,441	4,276	3,795	2,847	28.7
November.....	3,897	4,081	3,863	2,473	28.4
October.....	4,439	4,822	3,713	2,333	25.3
September.....	5,652	4,812	4,318	2,778	29.1
August.....	4,016	3,836	3,722	1,965	27.4
July.....	3,307	2,884	3,765	1,814	25.2
June.....	5,488	5,014	3,646	3,145	28.9
May.....	4,797	4,764	3,438	2,860	31.1
April.....	4,594	4,856	3,682	2,428	29.1
March.....	5,090	5,126	3,688	3,630	41.2
February.....	4,003	4,203	3,658	2,384	43.1
January.....	3,626	3,699	3,667	2,275	38.4

¹See table 2 for more detailed data.

Table 2. NET SHIPMENTS OF TITANIUM MILL PRODUCTS

Product	(Thousands of pounds)		
	March 1979	February 1978	March 1978
Total.....	3,664	3,170	3,623
Sheet and strip.....	937	656	741
Plate.....			
Forging and extrusion billet.....	1,495	1,457	1,870
Rod and bar.....	639	542	510
Fastener stock and wire.....	172	174	115
Extrusions (other than tubing).....			
Pipe and tubing.....	421	341	387
Other.....			

Table 3. NET SHIPMENTS, EXPORTS, IMPORTS, AND APPARENT CONSUMPTION OF TITANIUM MILL PRODUCTS: 1969 TO 1979

(Quantity in 1,000 pounds; value in thousands of dollars)

Month or year	Manufacturers' net shipments, ¹ (quantity)	Exports of domestic merchandise ^{1 2}		Percent exports to manufacturers' net shipments (quantity)	Imports for consumption ^{1 3}		Calculated import duty, (value)	Apparent consumption, ³ (quantity)	Percent imports to apparent consumption (quantity)
		Quantity	Value at port		Quantity	Value ⁴			
1979									
March.....	3,664	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
February.....	3,170	66	817	778	2	90	375	62	3,194
January.....	3,464	49	605	576	1	124	656	102	3,539
1978									
December.....	3,207	94	817	778	3	125	526	94	3,238
November.....	3,160	109	1,089	1,038	3	83	351	62	3,134
October.....	3,279	62	586	558	2	237	804	137	3,454
September.....	3,474	82	799	761	2	161	658	117	3,553
August.....	2,603	78	685	653	3	154	744	118	2,679
July.....	1,866	116	987	940	6	256	1,063	188	2,006
June.....	3,534	152	1,072	1,021	4	207	867	153	3,589
May.....	2,847	217	1,786	1,702	8	214	962	164	2,844
April.....	2,560	74	630	600	3	191	817	144	2,677
March.....	3,623	242	1,943	1,851	7	64	207	38	3,445
February.....	2,743	73	661	630	3	282	1,053	176	2,952
January.....	2,401	80	713	679	3	276	1,145	200	2,597
1978, total.....	35,129	1,379	11,768	11,213				483	30,272
1977, total.....	30,932	1,368	11,821	11,263	4	708	2,958	510	28,038
1976, total.....	38,995	1,604	12,970	12,358	6	647	2,939	400	29,228
1975, total.....	31,256	2,445	20,760	19,840	8	417	2,221	297	33,068
1974, total.....	34,886	2,233	17,197	16,485	6	415	1,659	148	28,469
1973, total.....	29,057	954	7,099	6,826	3	366	918	190	25,068
1972, total.....	25,254	609	4,285	4,133	2	423	1,087	197	22,612
1971, total.....	22,481	417	3,016	2,909	2	548	1,354	519	24,504
1970, total.....	28,960	560	3,962	3,821	2	1,104	2,976	205	32,059
1969, total.....	31,881	368	2,651	2,557	1	546	1,364		

(NA) Not available.

¹See Table 4 for comparison of Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes, Export (Schedule B) codes, and Import (TSUSA) codes.²Source: Bureau of the Census Report PT-410, U.S. Exports, Commodity by Country.³Source: Bureau of the Census Report PT-135, U.S. General Imports, Commodity by Country.⁴Beginning with 1978, the dollar value represents the c.i.f. (cost, insurance, and freight) value at the first port of entry in the United States plus U.S. import duties.⁵Apparent consumption is derived by subtracting exports from the total of net shipments plus imports.

Table 4. COMPARISON OF STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION (SIC) CODES, EXPORT (SCHEDULE B) CODES, AND IMPORT (TSUSA) CODES

SIC product code	SIC Code Description	Export code (Schedule B)	Export Code Description	Import code (TSUSA)	Import Code Description
33562 74	Forging and extrusion billet.....	630.6570	Wrought titanium metal, including alloys (excludes sponge, ingots, billets, blooms, sheet bars, slabs, waste and scrap)	629.2000	Wrought titanium metal, including alloys (excludes waste and scrap and unwrought metal)
33562 79	Other (sheet, plate, tubing, bar, etc.).....				

DESCRIPTION OF SURVEY

Scope of Survey—This survey covers firms engaged in manufacturing titanium ingot and mill products, including castings.

Sampling Description—The statistics in this publication were collected on the Bureau of Domestic Business Development Form ITA-991, *Titanium Metal*. The mailing panel for this survey includes all known titanium ingot, mill product, and castings producers.

Survey Error—Figures for the current month include estimates for respondents whose reports were not received in time for tabulation. Such missing figures are "imputed" from month-to-month movements shown by reporting firms and are generally limited to a maximum of 10 percent for any one item. Individual items with imputation rates greater than 10 percent are footnoted.

The imputation rate is not an explicit indicator of the potential error in published figures due to nonresponse, because the actual monthly movements for nonrespondents may or may not closely agree with the imputed movements. The probable range of difference between the actual and imputed figures is unknown. The degree of uncertainty regarding the accuracy of the data, however, increases as the percentage of imputation increases. Figures with imputation rates above 10 percent should be used with caution.

Revision to Previous Period Data—Statistics for previous months may be revised due to receipt of corrected data from respondents, including late reports for which imputations were previously made as described above, and other corrections. Figures which have been revised by more than 5 percent from previously published figures are indicated by footnotes.

Seasonal Adjustment—The data are not adjusted for seasonal variation or number of working days.

EXPLANATION OF TERMS

Net Shipments—Derived by subtracting the sum of producers' receipts of each mill shape from the industry's gross shipments of that shape.

Gross Shipments—Include the quantities of mill shapes consumed in rolling mills in the production of fabricated products such as forgings, etc. Also includes the quantities of mill shapes shipped between producers.

COMPARISON OF EXPORT, IMPORT, AND DOMESTIC OUTPUT DATA

The Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system used for domestic output and the statistical export and import commodity classifications were developed independently and are based on somewhat differing systems of classification. This results in considerable difficulty in comparing the three types of data for many commodity areas. The domestic output classification

is based on type of industry; whereas, the export and import classification system is more materials oriented. Aside from the differences in the basic commodity classifications, there are additional problems involving import data, since there are a substantial number of imported commodities which are not produced in the United States or which are produced only in very small quantities and which, therefore, have no comparable domestic output classification. The relationships shown in this report should be considered only as approximations, since, in addition to those mentioned above, there are also the following problems affecting the comparability of the three sets of data:

a. **Valuation**—There are different methods of valuation for the three types of data.

Domestic Output—Valued at the point of production. It includes the net sales price, f.o.b. plant, after discounts and allowances, exclusive of freight charges and excise taxes.

Exports—Valued at the point of exportation. It includes the selling price, or cost if not sold, and inland freight, insurance, and other charges to the export point.

Imports—Valued at the first port of entry in the United States. It includes c.i.f. (cost, insurance, and freight), duty, and other charges to the import point.

Estimated producers' value of exports have also been developed. These values more closely approximate the values reported for domestic output because they exclude freight, insurance and other charges applied from the producing plant to the export point.

b. **Duplication in Quantity and Value of Output**—Because producers' shipments of some commodities may be used as materials for incorporation into other commodities, combinations of data for such commodities may contain a certain amount of duplication. Thus, percentages of exports to output or imports to apparent consumption (output plus imports minus exports) at four-digit or broader levels may be understated. Where duplication is known to be substantial, the output data are appropriately noted in the table.

c. **Low-Valued Export and Import Transactions**—Commodity information is not shown for individual imports valued under \$251. For exports, commodity information is not reported for shipments individually valued under \$251 effective October 1969 and for shipments valued under \$100 prior to October 1969. This is believed to have only negligible effect on the statistics for most commodities.

d. **Manufacturers' Shipments, Not Specified by Kind**—The value of manufacturers' shipments at the four-digit industry level often includes a small amount which is not distributed among the individual five-digit product classes. Export and import percentages at the more detailed levels might, therefore, be slightly overstated.

e. **Time Lag Between Output and Exports**—There will be a lag between the time a commodity is produced or shipped by the producer and the time it is actually exported, especially

when intermediaries (wholesalers, exporters, etc.) are involved. Ordinarily, this type of discrepancy is insignificant in annual figures.

f. *"Direct" vs "Total" Commodity Export and Imports*—Export and import data do not include materials which are incorporated into other more finished products and exported or imported in finished form. Thus, by showing only direct exports and imports, the relation of exports to output and imports to apparent consumption for intermediate products is considerably understated.

g. *Used Commodities*—With a few exceptions, used or rebuilt commodities are classified in the same import or export codes as is new merchandise. Percentages are thus overstated to the extent that used or rebuilt products are significant in trade.

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